

Obama condemns Dallas shooting, says there is no justification for such attacks

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Dallas: US President Barack Obama has condemned the death of five police officers who were killed in Dallas during protest against the killing of two black men by police this week.

Obama in Warsaw

Addressing media at Warsaw, Obama said, " America is 'horrified' over shootings of police officers in Dallas, 'no possible justification.

Underscoring that Dallas shooting is a wrenching reminder" of sacrifices police make, Obama said, " We are horrified and stand united with people and police departments," Obama said at Warsaw, Poland.

Snipers operating from rooftops in Dallas killed five police officers and wounded six more in a coordinated attack during one of several protests across the country against the killing of two black men by police this week.

Police described Thursday night's ambush as carefully planned and executed and had taken three people into custody before a fourth died from what Dallas-based media said was a self-inflicted gunshot after a standoff that extended into Friday morning.

One more police officer has succumbed to the bullet injuries taking the total death toll to five. Earlier today around 11 cops were shot by two snipers at the end of a protest against nationwide officer-involved shootings.

Three suspects - including a woman - have been arrested. One of them has warned negotiators there are "bombs all over" in downtown Texas, officials said.

The Dallas Police Department tweeted a photograph of a man dressed in a camouflage shirt with an assault rifle slung over his shoulder.

Dallas suspects have claimed to have planted bombs, Police Chief David O. Brown told reporters.

Meanwhile, US aviation authorities restrict flights over Dallas after deadly shooting.

Earlier, the Dallas police chief said at least two snipers shot 11 police officers during protests, and three of the officers are dead.

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Hundreds of people gathered in Union Square Park in Manhattan and took to the streets to protest the recent police-related shootings of two black men.

The protesters on Thursday chanted "The people united, never be divided" and "Hands up don't shoot." Police scrambled to keep up with the crowd as the group left the park and marched up Fifth Avenue.

Minnesota Killing

On Wednesday, A woman who watched as a police officer fatally shot her boyfriend during a traffic stop streamed the gruesome aftermath of the slaying live on Facebook, telling a worldwide audience that her companion had been shot "for no apparent reason" while reaching for his wallet.

On the video, the officer tells her to keep her hands up and says: "I told him not to reach for it. I told him to get his hand out."

"You shot four bullets into him, sir. He was just getting his license and registration, sir," the woman responds.

The video goes on to show the woman exiting the car and being handcuffed. A young girl can be seen and is heard saying at one point, "I'm scared, Mommy."

The woman describes being put in the back seat of the police car and says, "The police just shot my boyfriend for no apparent reason."

Louisiana murder

A day earlier, Alton Sterling was shot in Louisiana after being pinned to the pavement by two white officers. That, too, was captured on a cellphone video.

Two Baton Rouge, Louisiana, police officers had pinned him to the floor, flat on his back. But even as Sterling seemed completely unable to move, one of the police officers yelled, "Heâ€™s got a gun!" Within seconds, an officer shot Sterling, who was still pinned to the ground by the cops. Sterling died of multiple gunshot wounds.

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